

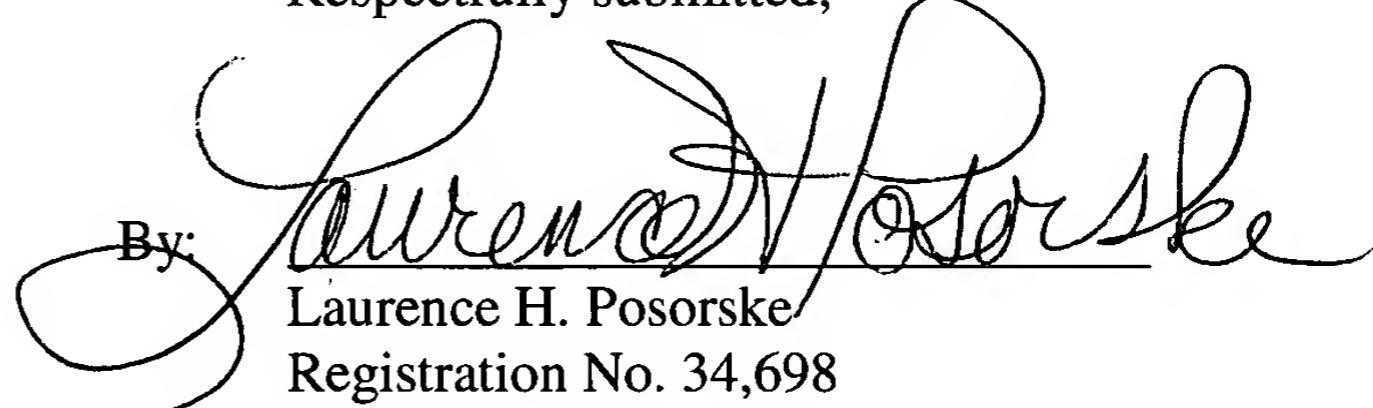
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the requirement for restriction to one of the listed groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicants provisionally elect Group I, claims 25-53, drawn to methods to prepare a composition comprising docosahexanoic and arachidonic acid residues. Applicants traverse the requirement for restriction on the grounds that claims 54-60 (designated as Group II) are drawn to methods using the particulate composition of claim 25 or claim 48 in a method of aquaculture. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restriction and, if the restriction is not withdrawn, rejoinder of the claims according to MPEP § 821.04.

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If the Examiner feels that any issues concerning this Restriction Requirement could be resolved by a telephone conference, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact the undersigned representative at (202) 419-2080.

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